

Mills School was established to give young men a second chance. The school provides a safe living and educational environment to encourage long-term behavioral changes.

The Glen Mills School has a long tradition of fostering the academic and emotional growth of young men whose potential might otherwise be lost. Young men ages 15 to 18 live at The Glen Mills School on a year-round academic and residence program, offering an escape from gangs, drugs and violence that they might encounter at home.

Students have the option to participate in clubs and athletics, which compete and excel against other schools in Delaware County. The beautiful campus and athletic facilities surrounding the school are a testament to both the staff and students. The golf course affiliated with the school, a place where many of the students work, is one of the nicest public courses in the Commonwealth.

I admire the dedication of the staff, who work around the clock to educate and counsel students. Their persistence has led to the character development of thousands of young men, as you can see in person by visiting the campus and meeting the students.

Mr. Speaker, The Glen Mills School has been changing the lives of young men for the past 125 years. I celebrate the school and look forward to seeing the excellent work it will continue to do in the years to come.

HONORING DALE ELBERT JONES

HON. TOM PRICE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 15, 2014

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor a constituent of the Sixth District of Georgia, Private First Class (retired) Dale Elbert Jones of the U.S. Army. Mr. Jones was born on November 2, 1914 to Callie Eudora Standcuff and James William Jones. He was raised in a log farmhouse in the foothills of the Ozark Mountains in northern Arkansas. Soon after graduating high school, Mr. Jones moved to Longview, TX, where a sister was living. He married Fairy Lee Pettet in 1939 and had one son. His electrical supply experience led him into a supervisor's position on the "Big Inch Pipeline" being constructed from Longview to Bayonne, NJ. The "Big Inch" was an emergency effort in support of World War II.

As WWII progressed he was drafted into service by the United States Army. After completing basic training, Mr. Jones was sent to Germany and assigned to the 309th "lightning" Division of the 78th Infantry. He received three battle stars for combat participation in the Battle of the Bulge, Central Germany, and the Rhineland. He was awarded the Purple Heart after being seriously wounded in the Rhineland.

After the war, Mr. Jones built a successful career as a Sales and Marketing executive and entrepreneur in the greater east Texas area. He ultimately founded his own sales and marketing company, TICO Paint & Chemical Company. He continued to work well into his late eighties.

Mr. Jones currently resides in Marietta, GA, where his son Dale L. Jones also lives. He lives independently at the Parc at Piedmont, a

senior residence community. He enjoys playing a game of cards, chess, and keeping up with current events.

In a few weeks, Mr. Jones will be celebrating his 100th birthday. He looks forward to dancing at his party. He has lived a remarkable life in service to his family and our nation. I know I speak for the people of the Sixth District in showing sincere gratitude for all he has done for our country and wishing him the happiest of birthdays.

HONORING LEO AND MARILYN VALENZUELA

HON. JULIA BROWNLEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 15, 2014

Ms. BROWNLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Leo and Marilyn Valenzuela, two exemplary community leaders who have made remarkable contributions to the progress and prosperity of Ventura County.

Leo Valenzuela first began his service to his community more than 50 years ago, as an advocate on behalf of workers throughout the region. He began working for a local labor union in 1963 but left his duties to serve his country in the Vietnam War. After his honorable service to our nation, Leo returned to his work and entered into the area's political sphere as a successful labor organizer and activist. Leo played an active role in the political careers of former United States Senator Alan Cranston, former United States Senator Gary Hart and former California State Senator Jack O'Connell.

Leo has also played an instrumental part in the grassroots activism that comes with political campaigns. Leo has worked to organize and mobilize our community to change people's lives for the better.

Similarly, for more than four decades, Marilyn Valenzuela has also been a tireless advocate for our community's labor force. Marilyn first began her career in 1964 when she joined the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW) Local 770. After raising a family, Marilyn began to work for the UFCW Local 1036 as a Member Assistance Program Director and Women's Network Regional Director. Within only a year, Marilyn was elected as the Executive Secretary Treasurer of the Tri-Counties Center Labor Council.

Marilyn's steadfast character and commitment to Ventura County's workforce have been vital to the strengthening of our community. During her tenure on the Tri-Counties Central Labor Council, Marilyn increased membership by 100 percent. She has also been a board member of the Ventura County Workforce Investment Board and the Executive Director of the Labor Foundation.

Leo and Marilyn are known as the tag team. Over the years, they have successfully worked hand in hand and together have accomplished and contributed so much to our community. I applaud Leo and Marilyn Valenzuela for their commendable commitment and dedication. They have both been staunch and unwavering leaders in the labor community and have dedicated their careers to working for our working families.

I extend my sincere appreciation for their tireless work. For their unrelenting activism, passion for public service and unwavering work ethic, I am pleased to join the Ventura County Democratic Party in honoring Leo and Marilyn Valenzuela with the Lifetime Achievement Award.

TRIBUTE TO DAISY ALSTON

HON. SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 15, 2014

Mrs. CAPITO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 100th birthday of Mrs. Daisy Alton, and to honor her many contributions to the communities she has proudly served.

Daisy was born on July 27, 1914 in Virginia. At the age of ten, her parents moved their family to Pittsburgh so that their children could attend public high school. Public education for African-American children stopped at eighth grade in the segregated South. In 1932, Daisy came to West Virginia to pursue higher education at West Virginia State College (now West Virginia State University). She took graduate courses at Atlanta University before returning to Pittsburgh to become a social worker. In 1939, she married the late Cheatham Alston, a Kanawha County educator, and briefly resided in Cabin Creek, until finally settling in Chesapeake, West Virginia.

After moving back to the Kanawha Valley, Mrs. Alston chose a career in education and worked as a teacher at many segregated schools throughout Kanawha County. When the United States Supreme Court declared segregated schools as unconstitutional in 1954, Daisy was chosen as a test teacher in a two-part process to integrate Kanawha County Schools. In the years following school integration, Daisy continued to teach and later became a teaching principal at Institute Elementary. At the age of 68, Mrs. Daisy Alston was honored by Kanawha County Schools as "Teacher of the Year."

Though Daisy officially retired as a teacher, she never stopped teaching and working throughout her community. She has been active in the Upper Kanawha Valley as a civic volunteer and organizer for numerous activities and events. She is a member of Simpson Memorial United Methodist Church; United Methodist Women; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and the Charleston Women's Improvement League. Daisy served as a board member for various organizations, including the Cabin Creek Clinic, which grew into the Cabin Creek Health Systems, a non-profit community health center with multiple locations. In 1998, she was recognized for her contributions by her hometown and named Chesapeake, West Virginia's "Citizen of the Year."

Daisy Alston still lives in Chesapeake, she is a mother of two children: Marian Alston (W.I. "Bill" Hairston) and Cheatham Alston, Jr., and has one grandchild, Bill Hairston.

Mr. Speaker, the state of West Virginia and indeed our nation owes Mrs. Daisy Alston our heartfelt congratulations on becoming a centenarian, as well as sincere gratitude for her many years of devotion to her community. It is people like Daisy who make serving West Virginia's Second Congressional District such a distinct honor.